

March 16, 1987

Dear Mr. Ramsey:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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March 2, 1987

The Honorable

Senator Howard Baker, Whitehouse Chief of Staff
The White House
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Beloved Senator Baker,

Please permit me the privilege and honor of saying
congratulations on thy appointment to the post
of Whitehouse Chief of Staff. I can only
pray for thee, that the LORD will pour out
upon thee all the wisdom and blessings of
heaven, in thy sacred duties and great task for
the LORD and our Great Country. And do so
as an ordinary John Doe this once.

Please pardon my not only old fashioned thinking
and writing which is more at ancient. I grew up
that way in the monastic like seclusion of North
Carolina's Blue Ridge country. No, I'm not a saint
nor a ~~book~~ just an old time folks type. I often
review all the so called revised hellinistic schools of
thought such as Freudianism, ect. just to make sure
I'm not missing something or getting out of line. I
even started college and higher educational pursuits
with the intent of going into psychiatry and psychiatric
medicine, but dumped it as a bore and decided to stay
with the LORD, thus turning to a true pure behavioral
science, SOCIAL-CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY, which has
no horrors or ab horrors, righteous or unrighteous, or any
kind of chip on the shoulder routines. S/C Anthro
is the purest of humanitarian schools of thought
which is almost religious like for it, in true religious
finest form.

Our Commander in Chief President
Ronald Reagan, if I may say so, would fair best
by standing with those who truly love him. I once
signed a pledge of loyalty to our Commander in my
own blood, a very ancient way of making a covenant of
devotion and loyalty; it may seem grotesque, I
heard of a Senator once who visited "Grandma"

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March 16, 1987

Dear Mr. Milner:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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March 4, 1987

Mr. Howard Baker
Chief of Staff
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Baker:

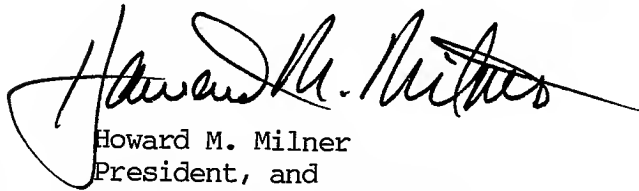
The ranking position you've been selected to fill truly warrants a man of dignified professionalism, stature, indepth understanding, and the utmost respect of his peers.

I am but one (1) of many millions of American people who stand behind you, and offer support for the great task you are about to undertake.

Much "congratulations" on your new assignment.

Sincerely,

LYONS INTERNATIONAL INCORPORATED



Howard M. Milner
President, and
Chief Executive Officer

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March 16, 1987

Dear Mr. Ross:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Frank Ross, Jr.
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The Honorable Howard Baker
U.S. Chief of Staff
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Baker:

Obviously I know little about
forming a letter, but to me that isn't of the utmost
importance. First, right on to 40 years ago my brother
Smith and I of Kp Hills Industries, Pine Knot, Ky. built a
cherry dining room table for you and your lovely wife and
delivered it to you in Huttsville. I was very impressed
then and have followed your career all these years

I'll have to admit I was very disappointed when
President Reagan asked you to be Chief of Staff because
I wanted you to be our next President. Still hope you
can be someday. I now live in Florida, brother Smith is
still in Pine Knot. I get back there about once a year.
It's highly unlikely that our paths will ever cross again
or that you even remember us but I want you to know
we have the utmost faith in you and that you have
our support and prayers.

Howard, you've done us proud so far,

"SO, DO US PROUD AGAIN."

Good Luck, we're proud of you.

Respectfully

Frank Rose, Jr.

March 16, 1987

Dear Mrs. Nettleship:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mrs. Louise Nettleship
1302 Peach Street
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March 6, 1987

San Luis Obispo CA

Dear Senator Baker:

Since I understand you are a "camera bug," I thought you might get a kick out of this shot taken when you were in San Luis Obispo County a few months ago to speak at the San Luis Bay Inn. When you were named Chief of Staff, my husband and I advised managing editor Jeff Fairbanks (SLO Telegram-Tribune where my husband worked 30 years as Sports Ed before retiring in 1980) that we had a picture of a "local" woman giving her endorsement of the appointment. Jeff agreed and reporter Carol Roberts came up with this cute (we think) story. All of the people we talked to DID agree that you could handle the situation and we look forward to the time when you decide to run for the presidency. Oh yes, the Leslie Ramsey given credit for the picture is our Assemblyman Eric Seastrand's representative with her office here in San Luis Obispo. We know that you will do a wonderful job as Chief of Staff and our prayers are with you. And, of course, with President Reagan.

Best regards,

Louise Nettleship
Louise Nettleship,
1302 Peach Street,
San Luis Obispo CA 93401



Photo by Leslie Ramsey

Former Sen. Howard Baker with admirer Louise Nettleship.

SLO woman boosts Baker; says he has GOP's respect

Howard Baker, the president's new chief of staff, has a big booster in San Luis Obispo's Louise Nettleship.

"His sacrifice of the presidential bid has gained him a mountain of respect from Republicans," said Nettleship, who speaks with a Southern accent not unlike Baker's.

She headed the Republican Women's Federation in 1980 and has been a member of the party since the 1940s, when her husband, Johnny, became sports editor of the *Telegram-Tribune*.

Back then, they lived in Paso Robles and came down the grade to meetings of the Young Republicans. "We young Republicans are old Republicans now, but we're still just as interested in good government," she said.

Her own poll of old county pals showed overwhelming support for Baker in his new job, Nettleship said. She feels a special bond with Baker. His longtime interest in politics, like hers, is common in the South.

She grew up in Perryville, Ark., where politics and religion were important. "My family entertained preachers and politicians alike," said Nettleship. "I felt their rhetoric was the same, just involved different subjects."

She liked listening. When she was old enough to vote, she wanted to be part of the process, said the former local Republican leader.

Talking about Baker, who "really

impressed me" a year ago at San Luis Bay Inn, reminded Nettleship of her own family's most successful politician and the blooper that blew him out of office.

That was her first cousin, the late Paul Van Dalsem, who served many years as the Arkansas representative from Perry County. He lost an election about 10 years ago by telling the wrong story to the wrong people, she said.

All of the candidates had been entertaining a group of university women with their jokes. "Paul's was about the women in Perry County who were not permitted to get too interested in politics. When they did, their husbands would keep them barefoot and pregnant," his story went.

The women didn't think it was funny and helped defeat him in the next election. The story also made the wire services and Walter Cronkite repeated it on television, said Nettleship.

Next time around, her cousin dropped the story from his repertoire and won, she said.

The longtime activist is proud of Baker.

It would have been tough on Republicans, Nettleship said, if he had continued to move toward the presidency — going against George Bush and Jack Kemp for the nomination.

"And, of course, we're also very happy that Nancy is pleased with the appointment," she said.

March 16, 1987

Dear Dr. Sisler:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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MEMO

from

MAYNARD L. SIEBER, MD., F.A.C.P.

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3/5/87

Dear Senator Baker

You may not remember me
(we met, briefly, in Memphis)
but you have my heartfelt best
wishes & congratulations. Godspeed.

Here is an editorial I wrote
this week.

Respectfully

Maynard L. Sieber MD

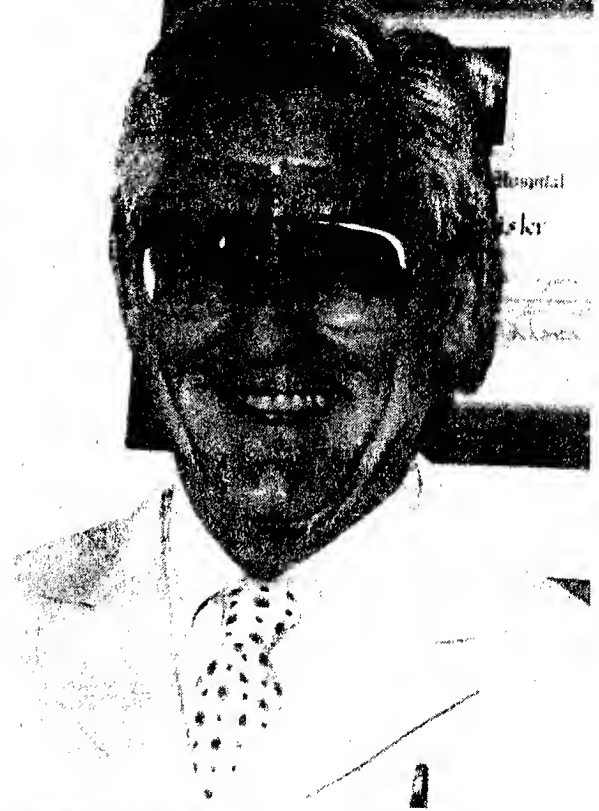
Clean Sweepdown, Fore And Aft

If anyone were capable of sluicing through the Augean stables which the West Wing of the White House presented to him, Howard Baker did well to consent in playing Hercules. This time, the President did well to pick the former Senate Majority leader to restore credibility, probity and, at last, a sense of purpose to his flawed administration. After the Tower Commission pulled no punches in its report, laying the major blame for the Iran-Contra scandal right at the president's feet, there was little else he could do. Clearly, this was not the time or place for appointing another crony such as Deaver, Meese, Laxalt, or a "Judge" Clark as Chief of Staff.

We trust Senator Baker will wield a big broom in his job, sparing nothing in his quest to create orderly government at the top. His own sense of integrity will guide him in his new and awesome job — the same sense of duty and loyalty that induced him to lay aside his own personal ambitions to run for the office he now serves. We believe the man from Tennessee saw a larger role than the one of merely pulling Reagan's chestnuts out of the fire — that of adding to the prestige of the presidency itself.

We must never again fall into the trap of allowing petty men, intoxicated with a sense of power derived from proximity to the powerful, to run loose and wreak the kind of havoc which Poindexter and North apparently did for so long, with too little supervision or accountability. We trust the current Chief Executive will pay heed to the counsel of this honest man, and we call upon his successors to see to it we have all learned something from the sorry affair.

Howard Baker must have a free hand to effect a clean sweepdown. He and his staff must cast jaundiced eyes into every cranny of activity formerly performed by those left over from the scandal. His is a big and unenviable job, but he is up to it. There will be no question about his ability to sell the President's policies to the Congress. In many ways, his could be the true role of "Prime Minister", rather than the derisive connotation applied to the late and unlamented Donald Regan.



EDITORIAL PAGE EDITOR

Dr. Maynard Sisler

Dunklin County Press

Thursday, March 5, 1987

In the works, and the sooner the better, we look for the new Chief to try to effect a summit, now the Soviets have opened the door to fruitful arms control talks. We trust he will work closely with Secretaries Shultz and Weinberger -- if, indeed, these worthy servants of the Republic are not among those writing resignations. We offer a fervent hope the three of them will see to it that Gorbachev doesn't meet alone with Ronald Reagan, especially if he is carrying the key to the candy store. This in the offing will be a certain way to decompress the current tension and draw attention away from the bad news.

One last sweep, Mister Baker: please tell the President he is far from infallible. It would be as welcome as the flowers in May were he to take to the tube this week, accept all the blame, and get on with his last two years. One more session of dissembling, and he's had it!

Thursday, March 5, 1987

Next Best-Seller?

Whatever the present state of mind bedeviling LCOL Oliver North, we do not foresee a lonely or poverty-stricken retirement on half-pay. With the present appetite for celebrity among breathless readers and viewers, we trust the Iran-Contra business will produce monetary rewards far beyond even his fancied dreaming during his "cowboy" days. We are as certain as night follows sunset that he is already being approached with offers for a book, with built-in movie and TV rights which will allow him to set up his very own Swiss account. It's interesting to speculate over the possible biases one could present the story with -- sky-blue patriot all the way to nefarious and opportunistic bum.

To our practised eye, we observe a man on the tight edge of life, a tense set of nervous wires which may snap long before immunity or some such release comes his way. We'd suggest the Commandant of the Marine Corps order the colonel to Bethesda for psychiatric evaluation, no matter what the outcome may be. We'd bet Ollie is close to the brink of breakdown. Witness his threatened lawsuit of Special Prosecutor Walsh, and his oblique references to Holy Writ upon questioning by the press. We believe the man is suffering from delusions of grandeur, and fear for his mental health.

He'd be ahead either way -- if the psychiatrists find him somewhat wanting, he'd have a cop-out. If they find him as normal as any other officer, he'd sell that many more books.

Thursday, March 5, 1987

Show 'Em, Missourians

The Democratic Committee in the "Show Me" state has displayed uncommon good sense in selecting Betty Hearnese to serve as State chair-person. She draws deep respect for her political acumen, and has earned her undisputed place in the legislature. She will be good for the Party at a time when it absolutely must get united, to get set for its biggest chance since 1932. If loyal members believe the presidency in next year's election is a shoo-in, since the Tower Report, we suggest folks of Mrs. Hearnese's ilk serve to remove the blinders, and quickly.

Good and serious men like George Bush and Bob Dole do not believe their chances are the least diminished by the unsavory affair emanating from the White House. In fact, they will make capital of the mess by dissociating themselves and distancing their campaigns from anything resembling complicity or even knowledge of the sad situation. The Democrats have not as yet advanced any potential candidates who are nationally known, with the exception of Gary Hart. Mario Cuomo has withdrawn himself from consideration. Kennedy will not run this time. Dale Bumpers has excellent local credentials, but not as yet anything approaching national recognition. Dick Gephardt might well run for the city limits as President. Sam Nunn might well consider making his political future for at least next term by solidifying his base in the Senate.

Democrats must get together, write its planks long in advance, be on guard against the splinters who would again destroy them. It must again learn how to be the party of the people. If its coalition must include all the unsavory fringe minority factions, let it accomplish unity under the guidance of such good people as Betty Hearnese who will teach the rank-and-file how to do so without undue fanfare. Blacks, the Jewish vote, labor, homosexuals, feminists, other ethnic minority splinters are truly the party. But it must be greater than the sum of its parts. It must be a driving force to restore the country to the many, from the grasp of the affluent few. It must remember its role as guardian of the Social Contract, too many times abrogated by the Republicans. Its major wings must close together, then spread again to bear up the people.

If we are confronted with another debacle such as that visited upon us by the likes of Mondale, Ferraro, Jackson and Hart, we'd better forget all about gaining the presidency well into the next millenium.

March 16, 1987

Dear Dr. Casmir:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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Chief of Staff to the President

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THANK YOU FOR SACRIFICING SO VERY MUCH FOR THE SAKE OF ALL OF US. YOU
HAVE MY CONTINUED ADMIRATION AND EAGERNESS TO WORK WITH YOU WHENEVER
NEEDED. (ORIGINAL MESSAGE 2/2/87).

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March 16, 1987

Dear Mrs. DePhillips:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mrs. Lucile DePhillips
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Cerritos, CA 90701

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Howard Baker,
Presidential Assistant
White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sen. Baker,

I can't tell you how pleased this family is that you are coming to the President's aid.

Last year, I contacted your law offices offering my assistance when you decided (or if you decided) to run for President yourself. I'm very glad on phones.

Since you're doing this now, selflessly pledging your help to our President, I'll never forget it and later on, maybe 6 years from now, you'll decide to run and I'll vote for you and so will my family.

Anyhow, I know everything is going to be O.K. because you're there.

11926 Yearling St.
Cupertino, Ca 90701

Best wishes,
Mrs. Lucille DePhillips

March 16, 1987

Dear Ms. Zimmerman:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Ms. Faye Zimmerman
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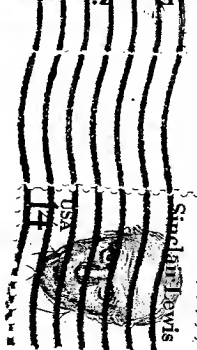
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Sat. 7 March 1987

Dear Senator Baker: Just a
short note to express how
pleased I am you're our Chief
of Staff, because I respect &
trust your integrity & wealth
of capabilities & political savvy.
In 20 years, you are the only
politician I've wanted to run
for president. I wish you the good
health & strength to carry out
this difficult task you're doing.
Sincerely, Ray L. Zimmerman

Howard Baker
Chief of Staff
White House
Washington,
D.C.

Ray L. Zimmerman
801 Gossage Avenue
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March 16, 1987

Dear Mr. Giovinco:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Vince Giovinco
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March 4, 1987

Senator Howard H. Baker, Jr
Chief of Staff
White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Senator Baker:

We were looking forward to seeing you again at the recent PMA show in Chicago, at the Omega booth. It's obvious now that you were quite busy at the time.

Just a note of congratulations and good luck.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Vince Giovinco", is written over the typed name.

Vince Giovinco
Manager, Omega Division

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March 16, 1987

Dear Ms. Kelly:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

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Chief of Staff
Howard Baker

Know you will do a great
job for our President & all of us
Americans.

I'm one of the Kellys from
Galva Illinois that revered your
father in law -

Best Wishes to you & your
Wife, as you dedicate your self
to this very important job -

Sincerely
Grace Kelly

March 16, 1987

Dear Ms. Bathurst:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Ms. Jean M. Bathurst
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Chevy Chase, MD
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Feb. 28, 1987

Sen. Howard H. Baker, Jr.
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear Senator Baker,

I have long thought of
you as a virtuous man -
both in the Christian sense,
and in the sense of Roman
civic virtue.

Your action in coming to
the rescue of this republic,
despite your personal plans
and ambitions, confirms my
opinion.

I give you my most
profound thanks as an American.
May God be with you.

Sincerely,

Jean M. Bathurst

March 16, 1987

Dear Mrs. Duell:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mrs. L. F. W. Duell
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— HHB-1 March 5, 1987 —

Mr. Howard Baker -

Dear Sir -

Thank goodness for you.
Your present appointment, no
doubt, the best thing our
current President has done -

I've loved & admired you
for years -
Somehow or other, I never
felt I had a Senator of my own,
so I adopted those from other
States - My favorite even was Senator
Dickson of Illinois - Remember when
he & Mrs. D used to be on radio
weekly & spoke & chatted to us all -
I surely do - I felt cared for & needed.

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The "media" seems to
relate the word that you've
given up your opportunity to
run for the office of President -
I take exception - You, as a
long time devoted servant to your
country have just begun - again!

God Bless & keep you
and yours ever safe & well &
ever capable -

Sincerely yours -

E. B. B. B.

I also loved Senator Borah (sp) I take

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I can't recall Senator Jackson
just name at all —
He was just my main
man!

My husband just told me that
Senator Jackson was your Father-in-law
— Well, Congratulations, Sir &
God Bless you ever & keep you
— I surely have excellent
taste in people —

Sincerely & with love —
E. B. G. Duff

March 16, 1987

Dear Mrs. Owens:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff to the President

Mrs. W. E. Owens
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March 3, 1987

Mr. Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Chief of Staff
Washington D.C. 20500

Dear Sir,

We were pleased to
hear that you accepted the
important position in our
government as Chief of Staff.
Your knowledge, Common
Sense, and integrity gives
us a renewed feeling of
security and faith in
the workings of our
government. These character-
istics were quite evident
during the Watergate incident
a few years ago.

The prayers of many
people are with you.

Sincerely,

Ms. W. E. Owens